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Uniform Election Laws.

ation affecting the exercise of the sufagainst this city and the communities in court of justice. immediate proximity to it. The metropolitan elections district, with its special ment's original presentation of the case This city has been hearing opera in regulations and inspectors, includes was inadequate and faulty. So much its own tongue for many years, yet it New York, Kings, Queens, Richmond the more reason, then, for submitting might be supposed from the late exthe residents of these counties are sub- conflict, a tribunal authorized to open the matter that it had just come into jected to restraints and supervision that new lines of investigation and call upon view as a musical possibility. There is apply to citizens of no other part of new witnesses. Mr. PINCHOT, however, evidence that this country in 1794 heard the State. Within recent years amend- is frankly opposed to any intervention a performance of "The Barber of Sements to the election law imposing by a court, insisting that the President ville" in English, accompanied by the have been adopted, under the plea of CHOT sure that he would be satisfied that may certainly be said to possess a protecting the ballot, but really to with the President's decision? Is it respectable antiquity is "The Beggar's annoy a large portion of the population not evident that he wants to keep an Opera," which was given here in a lanparty. There has been a consistent and made the most of, and which, since he for partisan purposes. This has been disposal, he could ventilate indefinitely recognized, even admitted, and the scan- in the future? dal of it long ago became notorious.

been much criticism, directed not against the protection anywhere of the purity regard the beautiful and the useful as when CLARA LOUISE KELLOGG and less of the ballot, but against the unfair dis- necessarily synonymous, the popular famous singers travelled through the

" I recommend strongly to you, in the interes safeguard be thrown around the right to vote. and that every such safeguard should be made uniform in its application to all voters through

on this subject in the past, too many efforts have upon you the duty of making all citizens through-

"I believe that all laws intended to prevent corrupt practices and bribery should, wherever possible, be strengthened, and at all times and places rigidly enforced, and I recommend to you architecture. the passage of a resolution favoring the enactout the entire State."

alike in all parts of the State. There bridge to make the circuit of St. Paul's. is nothing unreasonable or partisan in this. It can offend nobody anxious for but also more picturesque. An archicomplexion.

The Mayor's Assailant.

The crime for which the assailant of Mayor GAYNOR was sentenced by Justice SWAYZE on Wednesday to twelve beautifying the embankments. The proyears confinement in a New Jersey State posal pains Engineering; it declares that prison was the assault on WILLIAM H. EDWARDS, which followed the attack jection that engineers are inclined to on the Mayor. The crime to commit urge against architects' schemes for which the man went to the Hoboken town improvement." The architects steamship pier has not yet been brought before the court except in the original complaint on which the man was arrested. Under the law of New Jersey a person committing an assault may be tried for murder if the outcome to its victim is fatal within a year and a day. That period has not elapsed since Mayor GAYNOR was attacked, and it is obvious that the authorities intend to await its expiration before prosecuting their prisoner on the principal

charge. There has been some criticism of the New Jersey authorities for not bringing take, generally without any knowledge tions, but the message was not without the Mayor's assailant to trial earlier, but this seems to have been without substantial foundation. The case was difficult to handle, and too quick action might easily have defeated the ends of justice. When the authorities moved what they acquire is virtually a specula- which was most remarkable as the they acted with that speed and precision that have given New Jersey an enviable reputation for the prompt-administration of justice in its criminal courts. The two juries necessary in the prosecution, one to pass on the mental condi- and the freehold title passes. tion of the prisoner, the other to decide

American jurisdictions.

to Court.

It seems probable that Congress will authorize the transfer of the Alaskan coal lands controversy to the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia plan would perform a service of value Association at 170 Nassau street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York. President of the Association, Edward P. Mitchell. 170 Nassau street, Treasurer of the Association, M. F. Lafan, 170 Nassau street, Secretary of the Association, D. W. Sassau street, Secret Washington, and its membership is of general purpose to the code submitted such high character and so inaccessible to the passions and prejudices of the loan associations. Indeed, if they do not warring factions that its conclusions promptly take up the work of safeguardwould be received with respect.

There is reason to believe that at an early day the committees of both houses of Congress will report favorably on the bill. Since it is well known that Mr. TAFT is in favor of that method of settling a dispute which has been allowed to the supposed demand for opera in to overshadow established processes of the vernacular and has sung in concert adjustment there is little doubt as to his some scenes from one of the works course when the measure reaches him. believed to be best suited to the use Like everybody else of sane, unpreju- of an English text. There has been no diced mind, he is anxious to have the recent test so dignified in character to Since the Republican party came into quarrel settled, and since it has been so determine the value of English in operpower in this State, the history of legis- befogged by persistent vociferation and atic use. The general opinion seems to frantic countercharge he wants it trans- be that the experiment had little artisfrage has been a record of discrimination ferred to the serene atmosphere of a tic value. Whether this was the fault

Mr. PINCHOT says that the Govern- does not appear.

of honest and fair elections, that every possible put our esteemed contemporary Engi- well supplied with opera in the ver- tions. neering out of temper, and it says some | nacular. pretty nasty things, in the British sense, of architects in contrast with engineers. been made to divide the citizens of the State into planning of public improvements, un- enthusiasm that they feel so long as it classes depending solely and entirely upon the less the former would yield to the latter, serves to keep them in view; but in place of domicile, and I cannot too strongly urge and says sarcastically that the "difficulty view of the statistics on the subject, it still exists of persuading the architect were best not to try to persuade anyout the State equal in these masters before the that the bread and butter of utility must body that they are going to do somehave precedence over the meringues of thing new. art," a simile that will seem appropriate to those who are familiar with British

The projects criticised attract more ment of such a constitutional amendment as will attention than the lecture, however. compel personal registration of all voters through. A new bridge is to be built across the Thames near St. Paul's, and the engi-It will be seen that Governor Dix's neers have planned it, considering not idea is not to manipulate the laws con- only the gradients, the approaches, cost trolling elections for the benefit of one of the buildings in the way, and other party or a faction of one party. His utilitarian matters, but making the road plea is for a uniformity of law that is now leading to it pass back of the cathedral. conspicuously lacking. He would have as it will be a thoroughfare for traffic the Legislature put an end to the situa- north and south. The Royal Institute tion in which the State now is, with one of British Architects, however, objects; law applying to one section and another it demands that the road be turned so to another. There is no suggestion as to come slap against the south side that any of the bars to corruption that of St. Paul's, thus giving a good view of have been raised should be lowered. It the cathedral, a plan which Engineering is not proposed that the punishments asserts will add £1:000,000 to the cost provided for wrongdoing shall be les- to the public, besides much additional sened. He merely urges that crimes expense to abutting owners, and if put against the franchise shall be treated through will compel all traffic for the

The other scheme is more visionary, honest elections. Its only opponents tect proposes that the railroads enterwill come from among those who in the ing London from the south should build past have sought advantage for them- a union station south of the river. Then selves by the passage of oppressive laws the ground on which the Charing Cross, affecting one district while exempting Cannon street and other City stations from the operation thereof other por- stand could be turned into building lots, tions of the State of a different political which might be made ornamental, and the railroad bridges could be utilized for general traffic between the two banks of the Thames. However annoving to commuters on the railroad lines. there would be a grand opportunity for "it embodies in concrete form every ob- pany Governor's Foot Guards." doubtless will have their say too.

Thus London as well as New York has its troubles with these two useful professions. The suggested improve- fit and splendor of uniform the Govments are interesting; the manner in ernor's Foot Guards and the New Haven which the municipal authorities handle them will be so equally.

Defrauded Lot Buyers.

The method employed by JOSEPH G. whatever of the hazards involved in the its novelties. Municipal woman's suftrust stock market securities frequently that Connecticut will talk about for buy real estate without hesitation on the instalment plan, not realizing that what they acquire is virtually a specular which was respondent and the chaufeur actually got lost in the upper part of the city. I have been in the city off and on since the instalment plan, not realizing that which was received by the connecticut will talk about for the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the connecticut will talk about for the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city of and on since the city of and on since the city of and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city off and on since the city. I have been in the city of and on since the city of and on since the city. I have been in the city of and on since the city of and on since the city. I have been in the city of and on since the city of and on since the city. I have been considered in the city of and on since t tract, which the seller may or may not of the actual property remains vested in

Far too many suburban buyers have on his guilt, were obtained without de- in recent years lost their savings in dirigible balloons put in danger all over whom lay. The evidence in each proceeding consequence of the failure of land com- they sail. The force of gravity, against which was presented without wasting time. panies wrecked through dishonesty or they must always be contending, makes them a The prisoner's rights were amply pro- incompetence. Yet the instalment plan constant source of peril to persons and property."

Sending the Ballinger-Plachot Issue ago which makes a building loan deposit and took no heed of the calendar. quite as safe as a deposit in a savings bank

The officers of reputable land companies doing business on the instalment to the community by drawing up for last year by the officers of building and He is sane. ing instalment buyers, who are as a rule people of narrow means, they may find that others will do it for them.

Opera in English.

A noted American singer has yielded of its interpreters or of the translation

Westchester counties only, and it to a tribunal far removed from the citement in certain limited circles over Though some esthetic philosophers in any other tongue. Down to the days the same reason.

So it would perhaps be wisest for the come from associating the two in the to praise that institution with all the

A Great Day for Connecticut.

We never expected to see the staid tion of a Democratic Governor, but we "This is a great day for Connecticut. it proclaimed in a frisky editorial when Governor BALDWIN." There could be nothing in this obvious fact to transport or even cheer the editor of a Republican organ, so we must look deeper for the cause of his jubilation, his freedom from care on the first day in sixteen vears that a Democratic citizen could walk up the steps of the State House and not feel like an interloper. The explanation is that Hartford was to celebrate. and the inauguration and attendant functions were to be a round of imposing sights and elaborate social gayeties far removed from the commonplace and daily grind of life in Connecticut. The Courant summoned all the Nutmeg Puritans to enjoy the festival:

" It is well that we in this land of steady habits and simple ways put in a full share of pomp and ceremony on this really solemn occasion. The parade of the picturesque Foot Guards and the rest of the escort, the gathering to hear the reading of the message by the Governor, the formal notifications between the Governor and the branches of the General Assembly, the administration of the oath by the Chief Justice-all these elements combine to give dignity to a day which closes in the blaze and beauty of the inaugural ball prise and public spirit of the famous First Com

It was indeed a great day for Connecticut. New York can manage a turnout of more soldiers than were to be seen in the escort of the Hon. SIMEON EBEN BALDWIN to the Capitol, but for manly vigor and martial port and for Gravs are not easily excelled. The new Governor's induction is described as a most impressive ceremony, and not one of the 12,000 words of the inaugural message was lost on a representative ROBIN to defraud lot buyers in The audience, the editor of the Courant no Bronx illustrates one of the risks which doubt being distinguished by his rapt investors and home seekers who pur- attention. Numerous and weighty were chase real estate on the instalment plan Governor BALDWIN'S recommendatransaction. People who habitually dis- frage was one of them, and another tive security. They purchase a mere con- Nutmeg State is almost virgin soil for the aeroplane. One venturesome air be willing to carry out. The ownership man had flown over from Long Island -that was all. To the peril of the peothe seller until the instalments are paid ple from aerial vehicles the Democratic Governor gravely drew attention:

" Flying machines and, though to a less extent,

tected. The sentence of the court was of dealing in real estate has enabled neither inadequate nor too severe. On thousands of families of modest incomes and the licensing of pilots was urgently begun.

the part of nobody engaged in the case to obtain homes of their own in the sub- recommended. And in the evening was there conduct to arouse sentimental urbs and in the outlying parts of the there was "the blaze and beauty of the pity for the condemned or give ground city. On the whole this mode of dealing inaugural ball" at the thronged and brillfor the belief that he was deprived of has proved to be of great benefit to the liantly lighted armory, opening with a any privilege to which he was entitled. | community. Like the building and loan grand march led by Major FRANK L. The trial itself was a model of ex- associations, it makes for thrift and good WILCOX of the Second Infantry in full pedition and propriety. Like several citizenship. Until recently investments regimentals, with Governor BALDWIN in which have been conducted recently in in building and loan associations were the place of honor, the cynosure of all sort of packhorse of the family. this State, it showed that the course of subject to risks hardly inferior to those eyes. Dancing was kept up until morning were in plenty, and that combustible, generjustice, in criminal cases at least, is not now incurred in an instalment purchase looked in at the grated armory windows sold by the cord from New Jersey and Long necessarily tortuous and slow in all of real estate. However, at the instance and the milkman's wagon rattled on the Island. Some houses had chutes in the cen of public spirited officers of such insti- cobblestones. And so ended the great tutions legislation was enacted a year day that began with the military parade

> The Star of Pulchritude, 1911 class, has been given deservedly to Major Louis E. STODDARD of New Haven, aide-de-camp on Governor BALDWIN'S Staff. There will be the usual murmuring among the bright | he proceeded to make firewood. old men in the Hartford Courant boudoirs.

[EDGAR WATSON] Howe is a very eccentric From the Kansas point of view, yes.

The esteemed correspondent who wrote

targer Etymological Dictionary is "not yet twelve months old" must forgive the perfidious and malicious types that changed his "months" into "years.

We are permitted to make public the ame of the lady in India who has inthat he is to receive \$2,500,000 on the of Jumboputna, a native State between Sikkim, the leading capriculturist in northern India

The State of Pennsylvania is practically out It is better to be poor than to be wicked.

Maine, which began the Democratic riumph, shows how to continue it. The Maine Democrats have selected their best man for Senator in Congress.

That French gallantry to women is barely skin deep will be inferred from the vote of the Institute of France upholding the tradition that has heretofore debarred women from its five academies. It was special tests on the voters of this city himself should decide. But is Mr. PIN- music of PAISIELLO. One performance aimed directly at Madame Curie, who is acknowledged the world over to have had elements as her husband had; a discovery believed to be opposed to the Republican issue open, one that he has already guage understanded of the people as far to him. That body may yet disregard back as 1750. Rossini's setting of "The The injunction and do justice to her merit, constant use of the lawmaking power is a private citizen with leisure at his Barber of Seville" was sung here in Eng- regardless of sex. Should it fail to do so Of these various enactments there has At Odds on London Improvements. English version long before it was sung shuts out of the Académie Française for

It is the unfairness to women of real of the ballot, but against the unfair distinctions drawn between various parts mind is apt to think that the two qualities are opposed, and finds plenty of the State. On this subject Governor ties are opposed, and finds plenty of ing opera in English, there has rarely Sciences, which led the opposition, feared pagoda, flaring outward to a hexagon surmounted merit in cases like this that arouses symprofessional men to back that opinion. been a time in which the music loving a rush for admission from the host of Some recent schemes in London have public of America was not more or less women who write on sociological ques-

> The Little Gravevard in West Eleventh Street unselfish expatriates, so determined to TO THE SUN-Sir: The follow-It doubts whether much good could supply Americans with opera in English, Old New York" will answer M. L. Edgar's query in this morning's SUN about "the little graveyard on West Eleventh street just out of Sixth avenue". "The triangular graveyard is a remnant of the second Beth Haim, or Place of Rest, owned on this island by the Jews. The first Beth Halm, purchased in 1681 and enlarged in 1779, is on the line of the elevated railway just south of Chatham square. This was closed early in the presen inineteenth] century, and then the Beth Haim at Greenwich was purchased, a plot of ground with a front of about fifty feet on Milligan's lane, and thence extending a little east of south about 110 feet. In the year 1830, when Eleventh street and stalwart old Hartford Courant on the occasion of the inaugura-Henry Brevoort, almost the whole of the Jewish must believe the evidence of our senses.
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> burial ground was swept away. The street went directly across it, leaving only the corner on its south side, and a still smaller corner on its north

> > Mr. Janvier also records that when this buria of a block on the newly adopted city plan and of or the disturbing tip, recall a similar agi lying at the same time upon an existing country tion that occurred in this good of road. This was the cemetery in West Twenty in its history as 1650, at which tin first street, just west of Slath avenue. This in turn was abandoned for the present Beth Haim siders were attempting to wrest CHARLES HENRY WEBB. on Long Island. ASTORIA, January 49

Epistolary Manners.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Thanks very much for printing the excerpt from the Toneka Capital about the letter received by the Assistant Secretary of State, to which the name of the writer had been attached by a rubber stamp Recently a Canadian Government official called

firm and signed by one of its officers. Needles to say the Canadian official replied courteously to the crude and bad mannered letter from the unknown American correspondent. In Canada, I venture to say as an American

who has resided in this country for several year better manners prevall in business corresponden than prevail on the other side of the line. T legend "Dictated, but not read" never affronts the Canadian business man or official, except in either have not time or lack the inclination to be good mannered. They lose business and good will by such con-

OTTAWA, January 3.

What the South Yields Annually, From the Manufacturers Record. \$2,690,000,000 from its factories. 500,000,000 from its farms

\$4:0,000,000 from its forests \$280,000,000 from its mines \$1,000,000,000 of cotton with seed \$730,000,000 of grain. \$200,000,000 of live stock. \$175,000,000 of dairy products \$170,000,000 of poultry products. \$150,000,000 of fruit and vegetables. .000,000 of tobacco \$50,000,000 of sugar products. \$628,000,000 of exports. 24.000,000,000 feet of lumber 250,000,000 pounds of cotton goods. 104,000,000 bushels of cereals. 100,000,000 tons of coal 5,000,000 barrels of petroleum. account tons of coke 400,000 tons of iron ore. 2,365,000 tons of phosphate rock. 350,000 tons of sulphur.

Lost in New York.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I have been in London, which has the advantage of soot of smoke toward obscurity in fogs, but yesterda I started in an automobile for Fleidhome, and the YORK, January 3.

From the Maine Farmer.

Patent leather shoes were prominent among the Grangers, rather than boots. The only two men of our acquaintance who wear boots, except engaged in farm labor, are both bankers. I these men has a son who is a working farmer, and he wears patent leather shoes when he dresses up.

The Insolence of Guinevere. King Arthur had just invented the Round Table

"Fine!" cried the Queen. "But can you invent one that you can't get under?

OLDER MANHATTAN.

Spartan Boys of the '80s and '60s. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In the when the oldest boy reached about 12 he became, so to speak, the father and nurse of the younger brothers and sisters, as their care in a measure devolved on him, being 8 tre of the sidewalks, pitched at an angle o 45 degrees toward the cellar, and through the boys thrust the logs, with tedious necessity of frequently descending in order to break the jam, which when released pursued the wretches as they fled backward Armed with a bucksaw and an ling 40. axe of age to suggest its service in the Crusades, and atti: I with sweat and growlings,

He also put in the coal and shovelled snow from the walk, when he was not spading the garden or cutting grass. As storekeep ers delivered no goods, on Saturday morning in particular, it was his curse to accompany his mother to Washington, Fulton, Tomp always preferred by her, and carry home THE SUN that the latest edition of SKEAT'S | the purchases in a basket of unholy weight and size, and then he was assigned to window cleaning or some such gentle task. was very little respect entertained for a boy. and he was economical in the entertainmen When chairs and bedsteads were of a con-

dition dangerous for repose of others they was were assigned to the room of the boys, who formed the Hon, JOSEPH GURNEY CANNON slept two or three abreast and the same that he is to receive \$2,500,000 on the number in depth. Frequently in the dead death of a certain generous admirer in of night the parents, hearing a tremendous that country. The lady is the Begum crash overhead, would comfort themselves with the confidence that it was only the bed of Jumboputna, a native State between had broken down, and the boys were not wak-cashmere and Calicot, and the "generous donor" is her brother, the Teetotum of he would count and disentangle them with

words or something harder.

They were not particularly partial to water on winter mornings and would dry curry their hair and sneak in to buckwhea cakes, but when mother would discover that the ice in the wash pitcher was unbroken, father would break forth, and the boys would try to flee, because the old gentleman had a strong arm in chiding, fulfilling the Scriptural injunction
"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might," and the "mites" got it The clothing of the cubs was awfully and wonderfully made. When those of dad were taken apart, turned, and some things

for the boys were slammed together It seems as though he was laid out on a large sheet of paper, his form pencilled in as great a part in the discovery of the rare did the rest; and if the clothes didn't fit, why, he had fits of another character. He was rarely entrusted with an entire bosom shirt, but wore a "dickey," a heart shaped nishing an excellent handle for companions Barber of Seville was sing here in Eng-lish six years before it was produced in Madame Curic must console herself with of his hands were occupied in carrying the Italian, and Mozart's "The Marriage the reflection that a woman as eminent in dough pan to the corner bakery, where of Figure" was popular through the her line as herself, George Sands, was "family baking" was conducted between 10 A. M. and 3 P. M.

Remnants from his father's clothes fur nished caps, all hatters being practical and making up the former from people's own shaped crown or terrace and surmounted by a huge button, or worse, a tassel. To guard against the wind they were made to effort they emitted a slight suction repor and left on the head a livid ring, as the some one had made an ineffectual effort to scalp the wearer. Another horror of his which his fond mother used to knit of would dutifully wear on leaving home, only to change to his waist so as to keep his anyway all his colds were contracted through wet feet in absence of the habit of wearing rubbers. NEW YORK, January 5.

The Rising of the Barber Chirurgeons.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The recent meetings of the barbers of the East Side, as well as Jersey City, to devise means to overcome the losses they are sustaining by reason of the fact that numerous patrons, aided and abetted by the safety razor, no longer resort to the shops, but by their own fireside (or radiator) comfortably and satisfactorily remove the day's or week's the glorious morning dawned. "Out place was abandoned another was purchased growth from their respective faces without goes Governor Weeks and in comes which had the advantage of lying within the lines being confronted with the cashier's check tion that occurred in this good city as early in its history as 1650, at which time surgeon siders were attempting to wrest from them the business of which the former claimed the monopoly. So, too, then the citizens were falling into the habit of shaving them way. The surgeons, resisting these in vasions and encroachments, held a and filed a petition with the city authorities claiming protection from these unwarranted together with the words: "Dictated, but not trespassers on their vested rights, asking that none but chirurgeons be allowed to

from a supposedly reputable American business petition, the Council entered upon its records its decision, as follows:

That shaving do not appertain exclusively to chirurgeons, but is only an appanage thereof; that no man can be prevented from operating on him ng another this friendly act that it be through courtesy and that he do not receive any money for it and do not keep an open shop of that sort, which is hereby forbidden declaring in regard to the last request this act to belong to chirurgery and the health of man.

One effect of the passage of this ordinance the barbers of sailing vessels, who while anchored in the harbor established tem porary shops, to the loss and disgust of the hirurgeons NEW YORK, January 3.

The Lincoln Funeral Cortege.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: wish to correct an error made by "Battery Boy" in THE SUN of December 28, 1910. said he saw President Lincoln's body as its into a distributing reservoir which funeral cortege bore it along Battery place on the site of the New York Public Library he will look up a book called "Lincoln Obsequies," published by the city, he will find that the body came over the river to Desbross Hudson, to Canal, to Broadway, to City Hall: and I saw the procession MATTEAWAN, January 2. B. SULLIVAN.

Mr. Barnum's Lecture Room TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: About Barnum's: The word "Lecture Room" over

the entrance to the little theatre used to lure lots of religious people to enter who would have been shocked to go into a theatre. ANOTHER OF THE OLD BOYS.

From an Octogenarian. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sie:

now past 80 years old, and all your correspondents have said is like going back to I might refer to how I had to get to my

and Seventh avenues, living then on Classon venue, Brooklyn, riding on a horse car to ulton ferry, crossing the river and then an old stage up Broadway to Eighteenth street. How would the boys like that now? I have seen many changes; also the great acto named by your correspondents, but how I loved to see Mrs. Barney Williams play!

I have many times met Commodo derbilt when driving on Harlem lane, and lots of other horsemen, and how grand a sight it was with their sleighs and fast trot- selling strawberries in very small Then again we would drop in at Judge

Cattle Market on Twenty-fourth street,

and later on the ground at Forty-second street where the Grand Central Railroad Station now stands? I think it might be

something for the boys of to-day to know that when they call me Pop it makes me so mad that often I feel young enough to lick them on the spot. I have the fight in me just to do it right off.

Then came a trust, and I was over age: consequently I had to quit. Then I concluded tell the boys my age, as they think I am only 65, and I am keeping them guessing. I am my own salesman and am sorry for the boys of to-day if they don't look out before reach-

I am enjoying good health and have no doctors' bills to pay. Cheers for old Manhattan!

NEW YORK, January 5

Postage Stamps for Ples.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: "T. H. To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: "T. H. Academy of Music was the centre of operatic of of Plainfield in his letter about the old Dutch church in Nassau street mentions the "pedlers" who "sold hot muffins along the iron fence," but he says nothing about the stand inside the building where a man did a big business selling hot coffee, cakes and piez. After depting with Garibald in his wars and the centre of operatic stars. The was also an accomplished musical critic. He was instrumental in arranging contracts for such operatic stars as Campanini, Gerster, Nilsson and Victor Maurel. Many of those who were well known in the operatic world made their rendezvous at the lodging house where Mr. Fontana lived. the "pedlers" who "sold hot muffins along the iron fence," but he says nothing about

D." has left out a few of the old time popular

songs, "Tassels on Her Boots," "Down in a

oal Mine," "On the Beach at Long Branch. "Chewing Gum," "Not for Joe" and "Eighteen Dollars a Week."
Hooley's Minstrels over in Brooklyn a the "Opera House," corner of Court and Remsen streets, had a minstrel company second to none: Archie Hughes "Cool" White, Dave Reed, Fayette Welsh, Mulligan, "Fritz" Emmet, Dick Sands and a lot more

used to give us boys many happy nights O'Brien's and Murray's circuses used to "show" in the vacant lot on Fulton street near Hoyt, next to Donnelly's Olympic

Theatre, both of which sites are now occu pled by a large department store. Many a good professional game of baseball have I seen on the Capitoline grounds and the Union grounds. The "Atlantics," the pride of Brooklyn; the "Athletics," the "Red Stockings," the "White Stockings," the "Haymakers," the "Mutuals" and lots

in the city now. We used to come to New York sometimes and it was a long trip-horse cars, ferries and stages; three changes and about an hour and a half's time for a trip that we can now make for a nickel in about half an our, without changing cars at all.

winter and, well-there's no such skating

Some of us went to work in New York after we left school, and then when a boy was late at the office the boss's sarcastic nauiry was sure to be "Ice in the river?" Talking about theatres, who remembers

Dave Conroy's "Grand Duke's Oprea House (that's the way it was spelled) in the base-ment at the corner of Worth and Baxter streets in the Five Pointa? BROOKLYN, January 5.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: You can't imagine what interest many of our Providence citizens have taken in I would ters in The Sux of the old days. I would the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter in The Sux of the old days. I would the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter in The Sux of the old days. I would the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter in the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter in the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter and purposes "terra incognita" to the people both of Mexico and of the United States. Its area appropriately a superior of the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an intenter in the peninsula of Vucatan, and is to an inte Providence citizens have taken in the letlike to contribute a few of Delchanty and Hengler's old time songs and dances: "Dancing in the Moonlight," "I Couldn't Stay Away." "The Lily and the Roses." "Little Bunch of Roses," "Walking in the Starlight," "Martha Jane Reme," "Little Rosey May," "When Flowers Blush and Bloom," "Come and Kiss Me," "Darling of My Heart," "Little Annie Lowry," "Happy Hottentots," Apple of My Eye," "Belle and Hottentots," Apple of My Eye," "Bell Swell," "Fascinating Dark Blue Eye," Dancing Glad," "I Really Can't Keep Still." One I Dearly Love," "Sambo's Invitation."

But their master song and dance was "Love it was on one summer's evening. In the merry month of I beheld a damsel sitting 'Mid flowers' sweet perfume She had a novel reading

lust as I was passing by. And as she turned another page I saw the brightest eve

A bewitching smile was on her fac As charming as the posies, I felt the smart of Cupid's dart. Twas love among the roses CHORUS: Now I hate to tell, but then I must. Within her heart I placed my trust;

She was sitting in the garden. Where the little butterfis "I was love among the roses ALBERT W. DAVIS.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 4.

"The Greetan Bend."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir is letter the other day "U. P. D." did not mention the popular song in 1867 or thereabout entitled "The Grecian Bend " "U. P. D." or any old codger tell the actress who sang it and at what theatre? I re-

member two lines, as follows The Grecian Bend as I now show You must admit is all the go.

Who can give the rest? The "Grecian end" was considered the correct walk for ladies who wanted to be up to date in for ladies who wanted to up to date in those days. Will "C. D. L." start a reunion of old New Yorkers? It would be a corps diplomatique indeed. I will join and am NEW YORK, January 5.

Millerites in Niblo's Garden. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In the

year 1842. I think, my father brought us boys to New York to witness the ceremonies attending the admission of Croton water Around Bowling Green and up Broadway. The late Colonel George E. Waring was one Now I was in New York city that day, and if but a book called "Lincoln Obse-bus and passed Niblo's Garden, a real garden." then and a popular place for social gather-ings, at the corner of Broadway and Prince It was enclosed by a high board Under the large shade trees within the disciples of William Miller were awaiting he second coming of Christ, shouting and blowing horns. That was before Niblo's Garden Theatre was built. BROOKLYN, January 5.

The Cheatin' Mustache.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The title "cheatin' mustache" may have been given to the arboreal buccal worn by old New Yorkers from the aid it afforded to the practice of parlor ven-triloquism, an accomplishment much af-fected by amateur entertainers is those With Davies the professional this growth reached a state of cultivation which I might refer to how I had to get to my for exuberance has never since been office on Eighteenth street, between Sixth touched either on or off the stage. The suspicion of ferocity still clinging to its few remaining wearers can be traced to the deep and sepulchral tone of voice by which it is invariably accompanied.

NEW YORK, January 4. J. P. D.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I

remember the "yeast man," and I am not so very old at that. How about the old ladies that used to go about the streets with a handle at three cents a Smith's road house on the other side of and sweet as sugar? My mouth waters when How many remember the Bull's Head fashioned times. Oh, for those good old fashioned times. Mrs. L. M. S. Mrs. L. M. S. NEW YORK, January 4.

ANDREAS FONTANA.

Some Details of the Life of a Soldier of Italy and America.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir. The New York papers in reporting the death on December 31 of Mr. Andreas Fontana falled to accord him the respect which Well, as things go, where will the boys land, even at half my age? They will be too old to get work; no doubt there will be a pension law. I spent half my life with a millionaire concern and worked my way up. Then came a trust, and I was over age; con. ing plaster casts of any description on Four teenth street; nor was he connected in any way with Gans Brothers. He had merely only stepped into the office to extend New Year I am greetings to a friend at the time he was stricken. Although Mr. Fontana held the title of Count by heredity, he was never known to use it. His place of abode was 141 East Fifteenth street, where he had lived for thirty-five years Sentiment attached him to a spot around which clung the men

ories of better days. Mr. Fontana had been closely associated with Colonel Mapleson at a time when the Academy of Music was the centre of operation

a big business selling hot coffee, cakes and pies. Ac. Most of his pay was in postage stamps, which he accepted as readily as he did cash, and at the same value. His trade was largely with the office boys in Wall street and the vicinity of the Post Office, and it was always a source of wonder to me where the "kids" got so many postage stamps to pay for their lunches and how the man disposed of them each day. Can anybody tell?

Peinceton, N. J., January 4.

In the Consulship of Planeus.

To the Editor of The Sun—Sir: "U.P.D." has left out a few of the old time popular.

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he was made a Custom House inspector as one time.

If Mr. Fontana suffered from lack of nourishment, as some reports had it, none of his friends knew it. He was always a welcome guest at the tables of his friends, of whom he had many.

Mr. Fontana is to be buried on Friday at 2 P. M. from 562 Summit avenue, Jersey City, under the auspices of the Dante Alfghiert Society, Hudson county post, with civic honors.

T. B. Gaul.

NEW YORK, January 4.

Churchill S'En Va-t-en Guerre. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: What has ittle island' Somewhere in Dickens I remember o have read that in the transpontine or Surre stood convention that one British sailor was always more than a match for seven or eight oreign rumans-generally pirates. This was in

he '40s or the '50s.

In this morning's SUN I see the following: The Scots Guards in action, a Maxim and two other guns ready for battle, bullet swept street blaze and burn to the ground, a Governmen Minister, a regimental commander and the high est police officials in charge of the proceedings and all to capture two desperate burglars.

NEW YORK, January 4. Mr. Winston Churchill has been inspired by an illustrious ancestor.

What has happened?

Imports of flour into the Philippines under the "one bottom" rule of the new customs arrange-ment by direct ship instead of by Hongkong and transshipment may in a short time mean more or less use of Manila as a distributing point for American flour into Indo-China and other

southern points. The steady increase in the consumption of flou in the Philippines, 1.185,982 bags imported in 1909, almost entirely from the United States and Austrails, in spite of high prices the world over, is particularly indicative of the inceasing pro ity of the islands and of the purchasing power

the Philippine people.

The territory of Quintana Roo forms a part of proximates, 25,000 square miles between the The coast line is 500 miles long. Bahla de la Ascencion and Bahla del Espiritu Santo are the chief harbors. The yearly trade, about \$2,000,000 at present nearly all goes through British Hondu

The entrance of the General Electric Company of New York by alliance with a Japanese concern into the electrical manufacturing field of Japan means "big things" for electrical development in

Since annexation by Japan about 200,000 Coreans have cut off and sold their "topknots." materially cing the price for human hair in the far East ern markets. To evade the duty the Coreans car ross the frontier of China before having the

Labor saving machinery and devices are greatly in demand in western Canada, with Winnings as the chief centre of supply. The country is en-joying an era of great prosperity. The farmers have substantial bank accounts and are looking

The Thirst of Nations.

for something new all the time.

From the Hospital.
The Strassburger Post has recently devoted space to a comparative statistical study of this as shown by the amount of liquor consumed by the inhabitants of various European States. The task is complicated by the varieties of liquid refreshment which are met with in different countries and which are common to few appears, however, that the Dane drinks on an average 104 liters of beer, very little wine, but twenty four liters of brandy each year. The Swede is satisfied with fifty-six liters of beer and mine of alcohol. The Norwegian is one of the most temperate of Northern nations, consuming but thirty one liters of beer and three of brandy

per head of population.

The Russian takes five liters each of beer and odka, whereas his ally the Frenchman needs thirty two liters of beer, ten of brandy and 108 of wine. John Bull Imbibes alx liters of whiskey of rin, two of claret, and 152 of beer or stout. The Dutchman rests content with thirty eight liters of beer and eight and a half of brandy. neighbor the Beigian is more capacious, being satisfied only with 221 liters of beer and nine of alcohol. The Austrian and the Hungarian each absorb eleven and a half liters of schnapps and sixteen of wine, the former needing in addition eighty liters of beer, while eleven will suffice for the latter. Of all the inhabitants of Europe the Italian is the one who drinks the least beer. A mere two liters, and the least alcohol, one and a quarter liters; he imbibes ninety-eight liters of wine, however.

A Young New Jersey Huntress.

From a letter in Fur Netes. The fur bearers here are coon, skunk, rats and a few minks and foxes and no opossum at all belong to a young ladies' rifle club of about twenty-My catch last winter was fort eight skunks, twelve coons, four minks, three rats, three foxes and one bear. I sold the to a raw fur company of Port Jervis, N. Y.

When I set all my traps I have a line of fifty traps at work while I sleep. My catch this win-ter so far is twenty-two skunks, twenty-four rats-fourteen coons, five minks, five foxes and one marten, and I sold three of my mink for \$7 apiece. And for game I hunt rabbits, pheasant squirrels and woodchucks and a stray bear, and my catch this fall is as follows: Twenty-two rabbits, eighteen qualis, twelve pheasants, thirty squirrels, fifteen woodchucks

Almanacs.

From Are Maria.

The history of almanacs goes back to very ancient times. The Greeks of Alexandria cer In the British Museum there are spemens of manuscript almanaes dating from the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, but the first printed European almanae that anything is known about was compiled by the astronom Purbach, and appeared some time between the ontanus who brought out the fi almanac of real importance. It gave the usua omical information not merely for one year ahead, but for the fifty-seven years 1475 1551. Regiomontanus (whose family name was not big a word, but simply Johann Müller, or Joh er), besides being a great astronomer was

A Virginia Dinner.

From the Norfolk Virginian Pilot.

Hog jowl, turnip tops and corn meal dump with an old fashioned Virginia bread pudding